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RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS ALEXANDROVICH TO INTERROGATORY OF THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE AND MOTION FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE (OCA/USPS-T5-10) AND MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO REMAINING INTERROGATORIES (OCA/USPS-T5-11-13)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Alexandrovich to the following interrogatory of the Office of the Consumer Advocate: OCA/USPS-T5-10, filed on August 21, 1997. The Postal Service moves for late acceptance of this response. Unexpected last minute production problems prevented this response from being filed yesterday, the due date.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

With regard to the remaining interrogatories in this set, OCA/USPS-T5-11-13. the Postal Service requests an extension of time until Monday, September 8, 1997 to respond. The Postal Service needs the additional time in order to coordinate the responses among different functional units. Also, it may be that the Postal Service will be unable to produce the data for all of the requested years, but this is not yet clear and the Postal Service requires the additional time to investigate. No one should be prejudiced by the delay of two business days from the original due date, which was yesterday.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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Response of United States Postal Service Witness Alexandrovich to Interrogatories of OCA

OCA/USPS-T5-10. For the base year 1996, please provide the P.O. Box attributable costs by CAG for segments: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 18, 20. Please cite your sources and provided copies of all source documents not previously submitted.

Response to OCA/USPS-T5-10

Volume variable costs for P.O. boxes cannot be provided by CAG. Total P.O. box volume variable costs are developed nationally, not by CAG.

DECLARATION

I, Joe Alexandrovich, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Dated: 9/4/97

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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